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Esteemed Sir :

I am a student of
Columbia University in New York,
just finishing a 4-year course
in Political Theory. Especially since
the translation of your geschichte
into French, (1960, I believe),
a lot of interest has been
aroused among students in New
York as to your works in
criticism and political theory.
I have the honor to be acquainted
with a Miss Elfie Stock, a

young lady of Hungarian origin
who is writing on your criticism,
as well as a Mr. Irving
Dvoretzky who is just completing
a manuscript on your critical
writing. The Mr. Alfred Kazin
who wrote the introductory note
to your Studies in European
Realism in the American edition
is also a friend of mine.

I have completed a translation
of your "Mein Weg zu Marx" along
with the supplement that appeared
in France-Observateur. I would
be interested to know what your
feelings are about the publication
of these memoirs in some
American journal. It would
also be interesting to know

your stand toward an American
translation of the the Geschichte
und Klassenbewusstsein, since
you no longer approve of this
work. Is it true that a trans-
lation has already been made
by Prof. Han Guth of Chicago?

I would be greatly honored
if it were possible to you
to arrange a meeting of a
few minutes in Budapest
so that I could hear your
ideas on these proposed
translations. It would be very
kind of you to drop a note
% the American Embassy,
Budapest, telling me if it
is possible or not.

I expect to be
arriving in Budapest about
the 26th August from Belgrade.
If it is impossible to arrange
a meeting, I would be
grateful if you could reply
to my queries at

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Thank you. I remain, etc.,

Yours,

Dan Hofstadter

P.S. My father, a professor of political
history at Columbia University, has
written a number of works of which
you may have heard.